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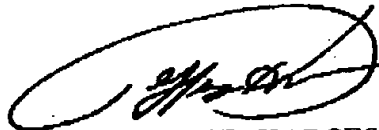
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 5, 2005, the date for response to which has been extended to March 7, 2005 by the enclosed Petition for One Month Extension of Time, Fee, and Intervening weekend (March 5, 2005 being a Saturday). Applicants elect the invention of the Species, directed to claims 3, 14 and 22 without traverse. At least claims 1-3, 12-14, 21-34 and 36 are believed to read upon the elected species.

Respectfully submitted,

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